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**Comment on Docket #17-108  
"Restoring Internet Freedom" (sic)**

To the Honorable Commission:

I hear a lot about these "light-touch" regulations. They are completely wrong. The FCC was *not* created to be an ineffective "light-touch" agency. It was formed to act as a counterweight to the Ma Bell monopoly.

Many Americans have only one or two choices for robust high-speed access, leading to the very monopoly or duopoly conditions the FCC was designed to regulate.

As Franklin D. Roosevelt wrote, "[t]he only sure bulwark of continuing liberty is a government strong enough to protect the interests of the people, and a people strong enough and well enough informed to maintain its sovereign control over the government."

Repealing the *Open Internet Order* in favor of these industry-friendly "light-touch" regulations isn't "protect[ing] the interests of the people," as FDR intended by proposing your very own agency.

It is venally protecting the interests (pecuniary and otherwise) of Commissioner Pai's former employer Verizon, and other telecom conglomerates who have fought tooth and nail to prevent "data class discrimination."

If you don't want to use your Title II authority to regulate the telecommunications conglomerates it is your duty to regulate, I'd humbly suggest you resign and go back to your jobs at the very telecom firms you are supposedly "regulating."

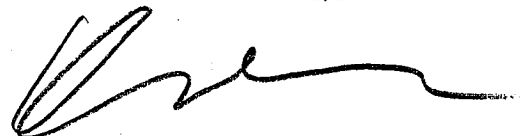
"Light touch" means a *de facto*, if not *de jure*, dereliction of duty.

Speaking of "light touch," a "light touch" firefighter just sits in the truck and plays solitaire while the town burns to the ground.

Is that why you joined the federal government? To play solitaire?

Anything less than Title II regulation is, in my opinion, indefensible. The FCC should stick to investigating late-night comics making fun of your boss.

Cordially,  
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